part of a city or an incorporated village, it shall be lawful to give notice of special or annual school meetings by publication in a newspaper, if one be regularly published in the city or village. Such notice shall be printed in two issues one week apart, the last of which shall be published and mailed not more than eight days and not less than one day before the day the election is to be held, such day not to be counted. The special meeting shall be held at the hour fixed in the notice, but if no hour is fixed the meeting shall be held at eight o'clock in the afternoon. Publication of notice does not avoid posting the notices as required by statutes in force. It shall also be lawful for the school board to pay the cost of publication at legal rates from the district treasury.

3. If a new district is created, the first meeting of the electors as provided by law shall be deemed an annual meeting.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication. •

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CHAPTER 439

AN ACT to amend section 611a of the statutes relating to Wisconsin national guard, to conform with the National Defense Act, enacted by the Congress of the United States, June 3, 1916.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 611a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 611a. * * * All departmental staff officers of the Wisconsin national guard, heretofore or hereafter appointed, shall hold their positions until they shall have reached the age of sixty-four years, unless retired prior to that time by reason of resignation, disability or for cause to be determined by a court martial * * * legally convened for that purpose. Vacancies among said officers shall be filled by appointment from the officers of the Wisconsin national guard.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved June 15, 1917.